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SUBJECT: TFLE01: OMAN TO TAKE CUE FROM LEBANON ON RESOLUTION

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Classified By: Ambassador Gary A. Grappo, reasons 1.5 (b) and (d)

(C) On August 12, the Ambassador spoke with Minister Responsible for Foreign Affairs Yusuf bin Alawi regarding reftel demarche. Bin Alawi, on leave in Salalah since returning from the August 7 Arab League meeting in Beirut, had yet to review the full text of the Resolution, but noted that media reports suggest that the UNSC had made considerable efforts to address the Lebanese government's concerns with the initial draft. He stated that Oman and its Arab League colleagues would wait for the GOL's official reaction before issuing their own statements, but anticipated that they would endorse the Resolution should the GOL accept it. Bin Alawi has yet to be in touch with GOL officials, however, to ascertain the government's position.  
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